

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
CONTINGENCY PLAN FACT SHEET
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We continue to hope that Congress will reach an agreement to avoid a government shutdown, but we are working to prepare for all possible scenarios. The following fact sheet provides basic information about the Bureau of Land Management's contingency plans in the event of a government shutdown.

Services and Programs that would remain operational

NAME OF SERVICE/PROGRAM	REASON
Law Enforcement	Emergency and/or excepted activity
Inspection and Enforcement of Existing Oil and Gas , Coal, and other Mineral Activities	Emergency and/or excepted activity
Alaska Pipeline Operations	Non-appropriated or non-lapsing funding sources available
Helium Operations	Non-appropriated or non-lapsing funding sources available
Rights of Way and Construction	Emergency and/or excepted activity
Wild Horse and Burro Holding Facilities	Emergency and/or excepted activity
Contracting	Emergency and/or excepted activity
Firefighting	Emergency and/or excepted activity

Services and programs that would be closed

- Non-dispersed recreation areas, including campgrounds, visitor centers and concessions
- Businesses operated by outfitters with BLM-issued permits will not be able to operate on BLM-managed public lands
- Some roads
- Non-emergency AML and hazmat mitigation
- Processing of Applications for Permits to drill for oil and gas.
- Processing of lease sales, permits and other non-emergency authorizations of onshore oil and gas, coal and other minerals Permits and approvals for renewable energy and other rights of way issuances
- Endangered Species Act and cultural clearances
- Range management restoration
- Wild horse and burro adoptions
- Sand and gravel permits
- Timber sales
- Work on resource management plans, including those driven by court deadlines
- Monitoring of grazing allotments

Key citizen services that would be affected

- Delay in permitting revenue generating activities, such as oil and gas leasing, coal leasing and other minerals and associated adverse economic impact on rural Western communities
- Delays in planning and other decisions regarding use of the public lands, for oil shale, renewable energy development, minerals development
- Special Recreation Permits: events requiring BLM permits will not take place, e.g. OHV events
- Cancellation of wild horse adoptions will impact ability of BLM to manage populations and availability of horses
- Failure to meet court-mandated deadlines
- Processing of grazing permits will be delayed

Employees

- Total Agency Employees: 10,800
- Total employees who would be furloughed (approximate): 10,250